

Fiance Held In Shooting Of Teacher

Autopsy Reveals Nothing to Contradict His Story of Suicide, but Police Question His Statement Assert Body Was Moved

District Attorney Says He Expects to Prove Woman Was Sitting Up When Slain

William Cressy, of Covington, Ky., who was arrested Friday night following the shooting of Edith Lavy, a school teacher on whom he was calling at 156 North Main Street, Freeport, L. I., was held yesterday on a charge of homicide.

He signed and swore to an affidavit in which he made statements concerning Miss Lavy's conduct with him and intimations concerning her conduct with other men, which were not borne out by a medical examination of the young woman's body. Cressy asserted in the statement that Miss Lavy had shot herself.

The revolver which she used was his, Lavy acknowledged. He used the gun, he said, he had no permit for it. He had brought it with him from Kentucky, he said. He reloaded Freeport from Kentucky Thursday. Friday he said, his revolver was in his coat pocket, loaded, when he called on Miss Lavy, to whom he was engaged.

Awakened by Shot
He hung his coat on a chair, he said, and was asleep on the couch, when he was awakened by the shot.

An autopsy, performed by Dr. Arthur D. Jacques, revealed nothing in the nature of the wound to contradict Cressy's statement that Miss Lavy shot herself. The bullet entered the right temple and lodged behind the left ear.

"The weapon was held not closer than six inches nor more than a foot from the head when it was discharged," said Dr. Jacques. "There were powder marks and grains of powder on the skin."

Other circumstances led District Attorney Charles R. Weeks to doubt that Miss Lavy killed herself. The most important of this evidence now in his hands tends to show that her body was moved between the time when the shot was fired and that when the other boarders in the house came trooping upstairs in response to Cressy's frantic announcement that his fiancee had shot herself.

Mildred Simser, whose room adjoins that of Miss Lavy, ran into the room on hearing the shot, pausing only to put on a kimono. Cressy had run down stairs at the time. Miss Simser says that Miss Lavy's body was on the couch with the left hand hanging down to the floor. Near the left hand lay the revolver, Miss Simser says.

Revolver in Left Hand
When the other boarders and the police entered the room the uppers of Miss Lavy's left hand were gripping the revolver. From what District Attorney Weeks has been able to learn of the young woman was right-handed.

It was not, she says, until she had moved the wound in her right temple when she killed her.

The police also found that blood had flowed from the wound down the right side of the young woman's face as well as across her face to the left, which indicates, it is said, that the head was moved after the wound was inflicted.

Charles W. Hanson, Nassau County's fingerprint expert, said he found blood stains on the right sleeve of Cressy's shirt and that Miss Lavy was not shot while lying down, but while she was sitting up with her right leg under her left. Microscopic photographs of the wound, he said, showed that she fell over after the shot was fired. He was of the opinion that the revolver was at hand to and a half feet from her head when it was discharged.

Microscopic photographs of the young woman's face, he said, showed that the blood had been smeared as if by fingers or moving the body or changing the position of the head.

The only reason advanced by Cressy for Miss Lavy to have shot herself, beyond the fact that he had postponed their marriage several times, was that she was provoked with him for saying he could "spare her for two hours," when she had apologized for making an engagement with another teacher, which would occupy her time for an hour.

"We have enough to hold him," said District Attorney Weeks last night. "I do not believe the girl committed suicide. We expect to prove that she was killed sitting up."

The addresses of about twenty women were found in Cressy's pockets. According to his statement, he was divorced by his first wife, who is living with her father, Edward Cottle, in Third Avenue, Huntington, W. Va. Miss Lavy's body is to be sent to her parents, who live in Tupper Lake, N. Y.

Plan Large Pier for Arica

La Paz R. R. Will Relieve Congestion at Chilean Port

Construction on the new pier and rails of the Arica-La Paz Railway at Arica, Chile, is to begin within a short time. It is estimated that the work will require two years. The facilities that will be provided by the pier are much needed, according to report of the Department of Commerce as at present all freight has to be transferred by lighters to the old piers, which are small and unsafe, and then raised by cranes into the cars. This fact, combined with a shortage of railroad cars, which is also to be remedied, has often resulted in goods remaining in the lighters for days at a time.

The average annual volume of freight passing over the piers is 150,000 metric tons, of which 100,000 tons is of foreign origin—mainly transshipments to Bolivia. With an estimated annual capacity of 215,000 metric tons, the new pier is expected to be ample for many years. The contract was let by the Chilean government to Phillip Holman, German contractor, and the engineers and artisans will be Germans, while Chilean labor will be employed.

One Pennsylvanian Taxed on Income Exceeding \$3,000,000

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—One person in Pennsylvania paid taxes on an income of between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 in 1920, figures made public today by the Internal Revenue Collector showed.

The second largest payment was on \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000. There was only one person in each class, according to the returns. Three paid on incomes ranging between \$750,000 and \$1,000,000 a year and seventeen on incomes between \$500,000 and \$750,000.

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Flowered Crepe de Chine fashions an engagingly simple model, that adds youth in a pleated apron front, and sophistication in flying panels. In black and white, red and white, Copenhagen and white, navy and white. Sizes 36 to 40.

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American Lady Corsets

Boned throughout with Mighty-bone at 3.50 to 9.00

The pliant, flexible top of these well made corsets makes them particularly desirable for women who indulge in sports or strenuous activities—and furnish amazing comfort as well as proper support.

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Dotted Swiss and Voile Blouses at 2.00

For one's sport suit, new silk skirt, or gay sweater, here are the blouses that will add the final touch of daintiness—smartly designed, and well made.

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- 75 Capes and Coats, of French cord, Poiret Twill, kasha cloth, Canton crepe. Formerly 69.50 to 75.00 now 48.00
- 25 Smart Travel Coats of pongee and tussah silk. Formerly 25.00 to 29.50 now 15.50
- 25 Jaunty Veldyne Sports Coats, beautifully silk lined. Formerly 25.00 to 29.50 now 12.50
- 20 Well Fitting Cravenette and Rubberized Rain Coats, Formerly 25.00 to 29.50 now 12.50

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